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DILUENT FOR NOROVIRUS OR SAPOVIRUS SPECIMEN AND METHOD

FOR DETECTING VIRUS

## **RESTRICTION RESPONSE**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 23, 2007, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1-5 (drawn to a diluent and method for using a diluent wherein the diluent comprises an alkaline buffer, an animal globulin, surfactant and soluble polymer), for examination.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.